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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed August 6, 2004, Applicants do not concede that the reasons for allowance given by the Examiner are the only reasons for which the claims are allowable. The claims are also allowable for other and independent reasons, including the reasons set forth in Applicants' prior communications. Applicants also do not necessarily agree with the Examiner's characterization of the cited references.

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